TWO ROYALL Entertainments,

LATELY GIVEN TO THE MOST ILLVSTRIOVS PRINCE CHARLES, Prince of Great *Britaine*, by the High and Mighty PHILIP the fourth King of *Spaine*, &c.

At the Feasts of Easter *and* Pentecost.

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TO THE LADIE VICTORIA COLONNA, DVCHESSE OF *MEDINA RIOSECO*, my Honourable Lady, whom God preserue.

THe retired life which your Excellency obserues, beseeming your Widow-hood, the Mirror and President of this Court, permitted you not to view the Maske of my Lord Admirall: the solemnity thereof will not suffer me to passe it ouer in obliuion, nor the many fauours I haue receiued from your Excellency, allow mee, to forbeare the offering of it in writing vnto you by way of description.

Your Seruant, Andres de Mendoza.

INtellect, or vnderſtanding participating ſo neerely with the Deitie, it cannot be ſhut vp vnder locke and key, eſpecially in capacious mindes and Iudgements, for as a fit obiect occurs, men beat againſt that iron with the flint, and then of neceſſitie it muſt needs ſparkle, and yeeld fire. I haue alwaies beene of this opinion, that the reputation of a wiſe man, ties him to more demerit, than an other ordinary man of repute, for the better ſatisfaction herein of generall expectation. And ſo in like manner one that writeth of all actions in generall, hee hath neede of the greater ſufficiency, to obtaine applauſe and liking; becauſe as men are different in their apprehenſions, ſo are they in their humors and approbations, as alſo beſides,

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it is somewhat too curious to present them euery day with new inuentions. There is now both a conueniency and necessity to present to publique the Maske, with which the Lord Admirall of *Castile* and *Leon* honoured their Maiesties, in celebrating the arriuall of the most renowned Prince of England in these kingdomes, whom their Maiesties, for as many principall causes, as most important reasons, doe honour and festiuate. A royall festiuity no doubt, both to them to whom it was dedicated, and to those who celebrated the same, hee being more deepely tied and bound vnto this, than if other Lords should festiuate and entertaine their owne Prince, because they are extracted of his bloud (being the Basis and foundation of all Nobility) in that both the same reason concurs with the Admirall, besides the greatest confluence in this, of all the principall States and Princes of Europe, a reason that may some waies excuse my rude penne, in that the Admirall hath made good in reall action, the meere fictions of *Turpine*, and *Arioſto*; if it

be vndervalued for the breuity, it may be exalted in the acceptance, becauſe as the Prince of Philoſophers affirmed, Hiſtorie is the true touchſtone of men, and forgetfulneſſe of a benefit is the laſt and black cenſure of ingratefull men. The many benefits wherein (beſides my naturall affection) I ſtand bound to this great Prince, may excuſe me, let all rare ſpirits admit of this ſo good a reaſon, raiſed from ſuch an heroicall foundation.

On Sunday being Eaſter day, a ſolemne day in all reſpects, which the Admirall made very good choiſe of, becauſe as much time muſt be allowed for ſacred, as for prophane exerciſes: The Queenes Maieſty, clothed in white, a colour of exhilaration and gladneſſe, which the Church obſerueth for the Annuall remembrance of the reſurrection of her deare Spouſe, ſet out with rare iewels, and precious ſtones, (whereof ſhe hath ſtore, and the preſent occaſion, gaue her cauſe to make ſhew of them) dined in publike. The Gallants of the Court tooke their place with the Ladies,

dies, and the dinner drew out somewhat late, because their Maiesties went before to the Chappell to solemnize the Feast. For neither their festiuities, nor their yeeres apt to take delight in them, can draw them to omit their religious zeale; it being the principall respect of this Monarchy, as it also hath beene of all other ages; for the zeale of *Numa* wrought greater effects in the Roman Monarchy, than the valour of *Romulus*.

The Prince in like manner dined in publique, attended with the assistance and care of the *Conde de Puebla*, as Master of the feast, a valiant vnderstanding Gentleman, and *Mayor domo*, or Lord Steward of the Court.

The Gentlemen tasters attended, and the Earle of *Bristow* ministred vnto him the towell.

The King came out to euening prayer, and then there went for his Highnesse, the resplendent and noble troupe of all the honourable of these kingdomes, and other strange Nobility, which are now heere in great

great number : then followed the *Mayor domos*, with their Officiall ſtaues, and all the *Grandes*, the traine finiſhing in the Duke of *Infantado*: whoſe hoarie haires, when the Sunne of his youth had paſſed the Zenith of his more flouriſhing age, entred into the ſiluer Spheare of *Cynthia*, to illuſtrate the world with his countenance. The King was placed, and the Prince on his right hand, his Maieſty clothed in Aſhe colour : with a great golden fleece, and a chaine baudrickwiſe, which might haue bard in the *Coloſſian* Port of *Rhodes*, (I tooke this chaine to bee of many Crownes linked, by foure in a knot, cemented together with greene and blacke Emerald) and if the French ſay true in this, that euery action of a King is Royall, theſe foure Crownes linked together, and hanging at his Maieſties breaſt, ſhall be ſo many kingdomes. In his hat, his girdle, and for other Iewels of Diamonds, he diminiſhed the glory of Phœbus beames; wearing in his hat a large wauing and aiery Plume. The Prince was in blacke, richly garded after the Spaniſh

niſh faſhion, with the George about his necke, hanging by a watchet riban. The enameld garter, exceeded that colour in brightneſſe, and his Maieſty might as clearely be diſcernd, as a Sunne amidſt the Stars, this not being the meaneſt action and remonſtrance of his prudence, that being a trauelling gueſt who came by Poſt, not being able at the inſtant, to ſhine with equall luſtre, he came to participate of the Spaniſh Sunne.

Immediatly after came the Engliſh Admirall, and *Oliuares*, both Maſters of the horſe, The Counſell of Eſtate, the Embaſſadors of Princes, and the Chamber of the Citie, great in number, but greater in bloud and diſcent.

Being come to the Queenes quarter, which was all hung with Tapiſtrie of Tunys, and Petrarckes triumphs, ſet forth in embroyderie, well knowne both for riches, and varietie of inuention: The Prince vrged by all meanes, that his Maieſtie would be pleaſed firſt to enter, but at laſt he yeelded to the Kings pleaſure.

The Queene accompanied with the *In-*

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fanta, who was then in her Quarter, to wish her an happy Easter, went out to receiue them, apparrelled in blacke, and gold, of wonderfull rich and stately, whether with naturall, or supernaturall beauty, for a modest passion, is a vertue supernaturall. After many complements past, they went to sit downe vnder a cloth of Estate, which was of cloth of Gold, three seuerall degrees in height, of Mylan Carnation, and chaires of the same. The Prince tooke place on the right hand of the Queene, and the King on the right hand of the *Infanta*, they two remaining in the midst. The English Ambassador in ordinary, dischargd the office of Interpreter, by whose relation he saluted the Queene with a good Easter; he was answered with the like ceremony: and hauing performed these courtesies and complements before the Queene, hee came to discharge them to the *Infanta*, who entertained him with that modesty and grauity, as might haue befitted greater yeares and more experience of time. Their Maiesties manifested their alacrity, by smiling twice, or thrice, and there arose such beautifull

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bluſhes in the Sunne of the Lady *Infantaes* countenance, which beheld without naturall affection, could cauſe no leſſe than admiration and wonder. They returnd to ſit downe, and while the ladies, who were courting it among the gallants, ſpent the time in expreſſing their ſeuerall conceits; their Maieſties departed, and returned in the ſame manner and forme as they came, and then ſhewed themſelues at the windowes of the ſouth Gallery *Cierzo*, accompanied by the Highneſſes, of the Illuſtrious *Infants*, to view the tryall of armes, wherein the youth of this great Court, ſhewed both dexterity, and valour. In the meane while *Apollo* bearing two Sunnes retired his light, and gaue way to a Maske, which was in this manner: There were diuers races for Careers made, rayld in with bord, and timber worke breſt high, within the Courtes of the Pallace, that of *Deſcalzas*, and the great Court. The trembling and watriſh beames of *Diana*, would faine haue ſupplied the defect of *Apollos* Rayes, and one might perceiue that no borrowed light (though in the abſence, and ob-

ſcurity of the principall) can be comparable to light naturall, though indeed thoſe artificiall did much eclipſe it, wherewith all the whole place, and the corners did ſhine, the progenie and effect, of the eſpeciall care of *Iuan de Caſtilia Corrigidor*, executed in the ſeruice and honour of his Princes, except it proceeded from the beames of that Spaniſh beauty, which expected to behold the Feſtiuitie, who did imitate herein the celeſtial Spheares, the Queene and the *Infanta* ſtood in the great gallery, and the Prince, and the Infant Cardinall, on the left hand; accompanied with the Engliſh and Spaniſh Nobility, that had no part in the Maske, and were appointed their places. There attended on the Queene, and the *Infanta*, beſides the chiefe Ladies of the Chamber, the Counteſſe of *Oliuares*, who can giue a life to all actions of greatneſſe, and courtſhip, as one who (beſides her own noble diſpoſition and nature) hath for her Inſtructor the Count, and the Honourable Ladie of the houſe of *Mendoza* my good Lady, and the Lady of *Infintado*, whoſe venerable gray haires gaue great reſpect, if the

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hereditary ſplendor of her glorious progenitors had failed, with many other Ladies of theſe Kingdomes. There ſtood hard by her Maieſty, as her chiefe *Mayor domo*, or Lord Steward, the glory of the Illuſtrious Family *Pimentell*, the true heire of his Fathers houſe, as alſo of his vertues and perfections. The reſt of the out ietties, or galleries, were ſet with ſtars more relucent, (though leſſe erring, the glorious emulation of thoſe in the firmament) in the other Ladies, and *Menimas*, or noble youth of the Court, whoſe rich ornaments darted forth beames, ſent forth from their beauties, diſſembling both froſts and flames, the iuſt reuenge of ſome haughty ſoules.

The quantity of fire which was exhal'd, contending to reach to their proper ſpheare, diſſolued the clouds of the middle region of the aire, which powred downe in ſhowers vpon the earth, (the Admirals happy fortune) as it ſeemed ſhe commanded them at ſuch a time, when ſhe moſt deſird to receiue them: Which being ſprinckled vpon the ground like deawes, as from the hand of a gardner, the Show began from his houſe, by

the royall Hoſpitall of *Miſericordia*, the ſtreet of the *Streual*, that of *S. Philip*, and the great ſtreet, euen to the Pallace, with fiftie drums, trumpets, and flutes, clothd in liueries of Orange colour and white, the colours of the Lady *Maria Courtino*, who deriues her glory and diſcent from the familie of *Marialua*, the ſupreameſt honour of the Luſitanian Spaine, after whom followed *Diego Lopes de Zuniga*, Generall of the coaſt of *Granada*, as Marſhall of the field, with a ſtaffe of ſiluer in his hand, and after him a good number of Pages and lackqueies with axes, in the liuery of the Admirall, formerly ſeene and ſet downe in our relation of the Prince his entry, and *Don Carlos de Zauilza* Page to his Excellency, in a liuery of cloth of Orange colour and ſiluer, laid with lace, and ſet with blacke glaſſes or bugles all armed, and *Don Ieronimo de Eſquiuel* Page to the Marqueſſe *de Alcanizas*, apparelled in blacke, plated with ſiluer, and in like manner armed, mounted vpon excellent horſes, armed ſadles, and furniture embroidered with gold, with bucklers ſteele-plated, who brought along with them the cartels of challenge,

lenge, which were ſet vpon the gates of the Pallace, by the defendants, Admirall & the Marqueſſe, the form or tenor wherof enſues.

Don Iuan Alfonſo Eurigues, Admiral of *Caſtile*, in the honour of the Ladie *Maria Curtinio*, will within the Court of this great Palace maintaine, That loue hath no need of the nouriſhment of hopes, for by them it is rather defamed than encouraged, being the reward of it ſelfe, and to loue againe the only end of its glory. And for a demonſtration, that the noblenes of her affection will auouch it, if any doubt thereof be made, he will maintaine a courſe at the Ring, from this day forward for threeſcore daies, before or after as his Maieſty ſhall appoint.

And the Conditions ſhall be theſe.

With three Launces according to the law of Armes, of ſufficient proofe and triall, any neglect wherein loſeth prize. As alſo, he that ſhall looſe a peece, or faſten it together againe with any binding, incurreth the ſame penalty. He that takes off the Ring, it ſhall anſwer for two Launces, that had not the like fortune. He that hits the Ring ſhall enioy the ſame benefit.

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The ſame lawes ſhall take place at the Combat, Barriers, or Tilt, for him that breakes vpon the Viſier, the Gorget, or the Target. Whoſe prizes ſhall not be lower than thirty Crowns, nor aboue an hundred. Leauing the prize of greateſt worth, and beſt valew to the election of the Ladies.

The beſt Launce of the man of Armes, the beſt inuention, and the beſt Launce at Tilt, to be referd to the cenſure of the Iudges.

Who ſhall be, The Duke of *Buckingham* Admirall of England.

Don Gaſpar de Guſman, Conde de Oliuares, chiefe Cupbearer to the Kings Maieſties perſon, great Maſter of his horſe, and one of his Counſell of Eſtate.

Don Iuan Hurtado de Mendoza, Duke of *Infantado*, high Steward of his Maieſties houſe, and of his Counſell of Eſtate.

Don Pedro de Toledo Oſorio, Marqueſſe of *Villa Franca*, of the Counſell of Eſtate vnto his Maieſty.

Don Auguſtine Mexia, a Gentleman of his Maieſties Chamber, and of his Counſell of Eſtate.

Don Fernando Giron, of the Counſell of Eſtate to his Maieſty.

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Another Cartell.

THe Knight of the Forreſts who is tied by the order of his Knighthood, to trauell ouer mountaines, and trace wild beaſts, ſeruing the great Prince of both the Spaines, to make knowne, that in the ruſticity of the Country, there is found the Courtly vrbanity of Loue; he affirmes, that they who make profeſſion of his exerciſes and Knighthood, are the Galiants that attaine to higheſt perfection in louing, becauſe not knowing what hopes or delayes are, they ratifie their fidelity by a ſilence taught them by the woods and mountaines: and this he will maintaine and defend being no wayes borne out by Magicke ſpels, but out of true valour and courage of minde, which he meanes to approue and make good in the market place of *Mantua Carpentana*, at the day appointed by the Cæſar of both *Spaines*, where they ſhall find him within the Liſts, from the ſtolne beames of *Dianaes* light,

while the ſight of true reſplendency, her brother the god of *Delos*, combating any ſuch as ſhall deny this verity: with three puſhes at the Pike, fiue fendants, or right downe blowes with the ſword, the great Prince of *Selua Calidonia* being preſent at this combat, of whom wiſe men ſpake by way of figure and ſhadow, in the famous actions of *Amadis de Gaule*, and *Liſuart* of great Britany: and referring their triall to the arbitrement of the Iudges, which ſhall be the Admirall of England, *Don Pedro de Toledo*, Marqueſſe of *Villafranca*, and *Don Ferdinando Giron*, preſuppoſing alwayes the conditions enſuing: That hee who yeelds a foot backe ſhall loſe his prize, fighting with the ſword: That he who giues one blow more or leſſe then ordained, ſhall loſe prize: That whoſoeuers ſword doth break he ſhall returne no more to the tournament, but the prize ſhall be giuen him who thitherto hath beſt deſerued it. Whoſoeuer breakes, or giues a puſh with his Pike, or a blow with his ſword beneath the girdle, hee ſhall loſe prize: Whoſoeuer encounters with the ſword, or the Pike, at the

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halfe length, he ſhall loſe prize: Whoſoeuer lets his ſword fall out of his hand, or lifts vp the viſier of his helme, or lets any piece of his armes fall, he ſhall loſe prize. To the moſt forward and gallant, to the moſt skilfull, to the beſt effects with the ſword, to the pike of ſhocke, to the ſword pell mell, to the beſt inuention, and to the Ladies Pike, be the honor giuen.

The whole Maske made their round, accompanying the troupe while they ſtayed, whoſe liuery coſt the Admirall a great number of crownes, who cloathed them all in nippons, and hoods of Orange tawny, and ſtryxt ſiluer cloath, ſet with flowers, and Romane deuices of blacke cloath, edged about with ſiluer in purles, with Talbants of Marroco of the ſame, and white plumes; onely *Monterrey* and *Veragnas* wore blacke. The Marqueſſe of *Alcanizes* wore one different from theſe two extreames. The beautie of horſes, and the riches of borders and furniture, ſhewed euidently the affection of thoſe that made this Feſtiuity. They ran two careirs in the Pa-

lace, beſides their round, and ſo went out in Maskes: and I will ſet them downe ioyntly to excuſe more worthy and famous Elegies then my ſhallow braines can inuent.

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The names of the MASKERS.

THE *Admirall.*
Conde de Monterrey.
Duke de Turſi.
Conde de Portalegre.
Conde de Aimouer.
Don Juan Claros de Guzman.
Conde de Villa franqueza.
Conde de Villamor.
Conde del Risco.
Conde de Ricla.
Don Fernando de la Cerda.
Don Franciſco de Eraſo.
Marques de Fromiſta.
Duke de Hijar.
Duke de Cea.
Coude de Villalua.
Don Manuel Manrrique.

Don Gaſpar Bonifaz.
Conde de la Puebla del Maeſtre.
Marques de Caſtelrodrigo.
Don Diego Sarmiento.
Marques de Velada.
Marques de Xaualquinto.
Don Luys de Cordoua Zuheros.
Conde de Saluatierra.
Morques de Almacan.
Don Lorenzo de Caſtro.
Marques de Alcañicas.
Duke de Veraguas.
Marques de Camaraſa.
Don Rodrigo Enrriquez.
Don Fernando de Guzman.
Conde de Cantillana.
Conde de Coruña.
Don Luys de Guzman.
Don Antonio de Toledo Horcajada.

Don

Don Fernando de Toledo Higares.
Don Pompeo de Tarsis.
Don Juan de Vera.
Don Iuan de Eraso.
Conde de Tendilla.
Don Luys de Haro.
Conde de Puñoenrostro.
Marques de Valle.
Don Christoual de Gauiria.
Conde de Villafior.
Marques de Belmonte.
Don Gaspar de Teues.
Marques de Toral.
Conde de Fuensalida.
Don Bernardo de Benauides.
Marques de Orani.
Don Antonio de Moscoso.
Conde de Mejorada.

FOure Maskes, their Iacqueyes apparelled after the Turkish fashion in masking sutes, and if my presumption herein should not bee too arrogant, I would attempt to discouer the Sunne, amidst the darkenesse of the Maske: The *Andaluz* cals that same doubtfull light, by reason of the interposition of darkenesse; *Calinas*, and the Poet *Zelajes*: the vulgar opinion will needs haue it to be the King; for the radiant beames of his haire, and the statelinesse of his running, did make him knowne: Let it vanish away in vulgar report, if his Maiesty like not to be discouered, it was enough to make so great a guest as the Prince to reioyce, to see him in this, honor so great a Subiect, as the Admirall. There accompanied him his brother, the illustrious Infant, *Don Carlos*, who ranne with the Marques of *Carpio*, and with the King the *Conde de Oliuares*, by office chiefe Master of his horse, his most trusty and confident, and his most eminent seruant. And although their running caused much ioy, yet feare, which euer accompanieth true loue, made vs in the night say in our hearts, God pre-

preſerue the King (who euer loues them that ſerue him) as the firme and inuiolable foundation of his Church, and whoſe attempts are the proper offſpring of the heroycall vertue of his Progenitors, out of the generall wiſhes and deſires of his ſubiects.

The Marquelle of *Renty*n, Captaine of the Almaine guard (a gallant and louely Gentleman) who conducted it, was himſelfe guarded by *Fernand Verdugo* Lieutenant of the Spaniſh, one as diſcreet and circumſpect, as honored and well beloued.

From the Palace they went to the *Deſcalzas*, followed by more then foure hundred perſons on horſe backe, a triumphant and goodly company, becauſe euen in theſe trials of meere ſolemnity, for martiall exerciſes, the Nobility of this Kingdome haue euer beene affected to chiualry, as may bee teſtified by multiplied experience. To feſtiuate his Maieſty, there repaired to thoſe ſacred wals, for many ſpeciall reaſons, and as it was the houſe of the Admiral, Maſter of this feſtiuitie, where they were to participate of it, the greateſt num-

A place ſo called becauſe it belongs to the bare legd Fryers.

ber of the Ladies, of that same great Court: And by the streets of the Arenall, the Carreras and the market place of Arocha, which waies they made their returne, they did the like to the Palace, whither they returned to accompany and dismisse the maskes, the rest conducted the Admirall home to his house: And now the Sunne beginning to reflect vpon the Mountaine tops, which being masked, did desire to see the end of this festiuity, and enuying the Admirals glorie, hee prosecuted the same in causing it to raine the greatest part of it. This is such a narration as my ignorance could decypher in so rude a stile; I hope your Excellency will pardon it, seeing good will is a sufficient supply of any defect in this behalfe, for so many important reasons, I wholly remaine yours, April 19. *stylo nouo*, 1623.

Andres de Mendoza.

DElius had ſcarce ſhaken off the mantell of the Night, nor had *Taurus* of the fourth Spheare, who feedes on Lillies, ſcarce guilded his hayre with the moderate heate of the Spaniſh Hemiſpheare, with greater commodity to participate of the Feſtiuity, his beames not hauing fully beaten off the Deaw of *Diana*, which watered that place, *Eolus* blowing vpon it, when, not on the Scaffolds of the Eaſt, but in the golden concurrence of ſo many Sunnes, which diſperced their beames in the Spaniſh beauties: the morning ſprouted forth, and the Nobilitie of the Court in numerous Aſſemblies being in the euening to come forth to the Citie Solemnities, for the enioying of the rurall Delights of the morning, with long ſtaues in their hands, cloathed after the Paſtorall manner, in armors of haughty minde and hot courage, more properly indeede her Children then thoſe ſwift Horſes which flowry *Betis* feedes on her ſweet bankes, who poſſeſſed the Fields encompaſſing the Buls, more fierce

then that Celestiall, being more capable of rare impressions, wherein passed noble attempts of Valour and Chivalry, being proper effects of the Spanish courage, obserued and seene in so many reiterated Experiences and tryals.

The *Corrigidor* very carefully preuented, that none besides the selected Gentlemen might come forth to this Enclosure, with long Rods or Staues in their hands, that they might not assaile the Buls. They were enclosed, & the first Bull was set vpon by the Gentlemen: and the second by those of an inferior rancke, and so the morning was ioyful and triumphant, though *Don Diego de Ramirez*, & *Don Pedro de Toledo* fell, and the Horses bare them downe, this man through incircumspection, and the other by vnmeasurable courage and forwardnesse. Their fals were not of any daugerous consequence. The Marques of *Velada* succoured them, hewing the Bull in peeces with their swords, and the place was disposed of in this manner and forme:

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The Panaderia, or Bullengerie, hath in the midſt of the office of Saddles, or Furniture, V. ithin the twelue Arches of vnpoliſht ſtone, a guilded Scaffold, more eminent then the reſt, in that on the left hand of this, was another of equall proportion built, on which were ſpread on the lower part, Clothes of Gold and Silver, in three degrees one higher then another, Crimoſin and Gold, which were made for the comming of the Duke *de Maine*, to the affiance of the Nuptials of the moſt Chriſtian Queene. I obſerved out of this, that having hitherto beene put to no vſe for the ſervice of their Maieſties, it might happily be handſelled to their honour, in the Feſtivitie we expect, from the Eſpowſalls of her Siſter. There were divided from it in the midſt, with a partition of Crimoſin Damaske, ſpotted all over with Gold, two other partitions on the out-partes of the ſame, and that on the left hand, with a portaile or gate, to goe out at to the mayne Scaffold, traverſed with another partition, which ſeru'd for thoſe vſes, which ſhall herevnder appeare. On the two ſides,

were hung vp, thoſe hangings of Needle-worke, wrought with wyer of Gold, ſo many times formerly ſeene, and on the top two Canopyes of cloth of Florence, of carnation colour, rayſed in the weaving two ſeverall higthes of gold, with a moſt rich Cover over head, and curtaines on both ſides, with the former part of plaine cloth of Gold, of Mylan, Crimoſin, ſpanne new, with Chayres of cloth of Gold, and Tiſſue, Stooles, and Cuſhions of the ſame, with Turkie peeces, hangings of moſt rich Tapiſtrie; and the places of the Counſell appointed, in manner and forme, ſo often heretofore ſeene. The Windowes were repleniſhed with the Nobilitie of this Court: the ſtandings and flore, with thoſe of inferiour Fortunes, and bloud. The moſt Illuſtrious *Nuncio*, to whom the firſt ſtanding was allotted, and next to the Royall ſeate, betweene his Maieſtie and the Queene, had for his Aſſociates, the moſt excellent Embaſſadors, of the Emperour, of France, Poland, and Venice, ſtarrs of great and rare Magnitude, the reſt were diſperſed all over the breadth of the place,

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the Queene was placed next vnto them, and of the right ſide in Royall partitions, the Ladyes, Dames, and noble Pages of the Court: While you come to the Counſell of Royall Excellencie; for the Corrigidor and his Lieutenants being entred, with their vſuall Trayne of Officers; he went out to enterteine them, that high Senate entring with ſuch a wonderfull Maieſtie, that it may onely be an example, and preſident to it ſelfe. The *Corrigidor* gaue a glorious Liverie to eight Pages, and foure Laqueyes, of plaine blacke Velvet, furniture, and skirts embroydered with Snayles, and Gandurados, Cloakes of cloth, with baſes of feet, and Doublets of blacke Satten, garded with blacke Lace, and Feathers of a colour, which all the place admired, and wondered at.

The other Counſells and Lordes being placed in their ſeverall roomes, the Maieſty of the Queene, and of the Infanta made entrie in their Carroches, clothed in a dark kind of gray, wrought with embroydery, and Lentills of Gold, with Iewells, and Plumes, (a thing very needleſſe to relate)

ſeeing all Rhetoricall colors of the tongue, cannot expreſſe the truth of their incomparable value, and eſtimation. Their Highneſſes, Don *Carlos*, and *Ferdinando*, one in Purple, and the other in Blacke, contended in Beautie, and yet prevented one another in affection. The Coches of the Ladies, and Minnies of the Court, the very Envie of *Phœbus* rayes, were Retraytes of the Moneth, which then raygned for Beautie, and varietie of collours, ſolemnized with the greateſt concourſe of Nobilitie, that ever the Empire of glory, and gallantrie beheld. And then firſt lighting on foot, the Marqueſſe of *Reutine* of *Almaine* made entrie for their Maieſties, betweene the Gardes, conducted by their Captaine; excellently ſet forth himſelfe, wearing a Plume, Preparations, and a braue Liverie of a darke yellow, and yellow furniture, and Don *Ferdinando Verdugo*, Lieutenant of *Hiſpaniola*, in white, and blacke, in a Liverie of darke greene, white furniture, both conteſting one with another, for greateſt riches and pompe.

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The whole Troope being conducted by the *Alcaldes* on Horſebacke, and by a great number of Engliſh, and Spaniſh Knights, Officers, and Grandes. The Prince of Wales was relucent, in white and blacke Plumes, mounted on a mingle-colloured Horſe, and the King apparelled in a darke colour'd Sute, with a Plume of the ſame, mounted on a dapple Gray; in their legeritie, implying the effects of the Stormie *Boreas*, and in their faire and quiet managing, ſhewing themſelues almoſt reaſonable, as if they had knowne the burdens, that they bare: And in that their mouthes were curbed with no Bitts, in this they ſignified, that in an high Degree, they layd downe, all their naturall, and brutiſh fierceneſſe.

Behinde came the Admirall of England, and the *Conde de Oliuares*, the Maſters of the Horſe, Embaſſadours, and Engliſh Gentrie, with the Counſells of Eſtate, and Chamber of Spaine, encloſing Within the Guard of Archers, the Burgundian Nobilitie, having procured admi-

admiration and loue, not with feare, or tyrannie, but with ſweet, and affable gouernment, which in mens hearts purchaſeth loue, and good will. They light on foot, and having forſaken their Stooles and Chayres, the Queene our Ladie, and the Ladie Infanta remain'd in the Scaffold on the right hand, the Infant *Charles*, and the Prince being diuided by one partition, and the King, and the Infant *Ferdinando* by the other, and in that which remayned enſuing, the *Conde de Oliuares*, the Engliſh Embaſſadors, the Counſells of Eſtate, the Chamber of Spaine and England, the other Knights and Gentlemen of this Nation, on Scaffolds erected vp into the ayre, in a corner of the ſtreet of the *Amargura*, and they made entrie for theſe Lords.

Fiftie Laqueyes in high Dutch habite, of thynne cloth of Silver, white, and tawney, with tawney-doubletts, caps of wrought Silver, and Swords Silvered in every part, accompanied the Duke of *Cea*, who entred in, mounted on a large dapple Gray, with blacke habite, edged round about with ſilver of Goldſmiths-worke, with as great gal-

gallantry as wiſedome, and as much wiſedome, as reaſon to winne mens hearts after him, two valiant Combatants at the Bull, with Caſſockes and Hoſe of tawney cloth, layd along with Silver lace, and great tawney Plumes, mingled Turquye and White. He had ſcarcely gone his round about the place, preſented himſelfe to their Maieſties, and beene received of the Prince, with the honor of diſcovering himſelfe to him, when there entred into the place (being clearly voyded, ſo as their entries were more eaſie and apparent) an hundred Lacqueyes, clothed in darke colourd Serge, garded all over with Lace, with Belts ſhining like Silver, Doubletts and Hoſe, Lynings and Caps of Tawney colour, like furniture to their Swords, and white Garters: And after them came in Don *Iuan de Ozeta*, Don *Ieronimo de Medinilla*, Don *Euan de Meneſſes*, Don *Antonio Guino*, Don *Iaſepe de Samano*, Don *Iuan Ielde*, the *Conde de Cantillana*, Don *Diego de Zarate*, Don *Antonio de Moſcoſo*, Don *Pedro de Motezuma*, the *Conde de Tendilla*, accompanyed with the Duke of *Maqueda*, whoſe entrie, both in reſpect of

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his qualitie, as alſo for the Valour and aſpect of his perſon, might well haue ſtirr'd vp envie in the Romaine Triumphes, for the Duke lookt like one of the *Cæſars*, or rather in deed, he might more properly haue beene their patterne, and example. They went along their Round, and the Prince himſelfe did him honour, when by different gates, theſe herevnder ſpecified, made their entrie: The Marqueſſe of *Vela*, in whom valour, dexteritie, and gallantrie contended for ſuperioritie, accompanyed with foure and twentie Lacqueyes, in white cloth, all laced downe, with blacke Caps, Plumes, and other furniture for their Swords of white. He drew vpon himſelfe the eyes of the whole multitude, for indeed he drew generally vnto him all their affections; the Prince did him honour, as he likewiſe did the other two Lords Grandes: When he had ſeene their Maieſties, he went to offer himſelfe vnto the Ladies, from thence to the Counſell Royall, and ſo in his going about, to all the reſt of the Company, and all of them deſired, and affected him.

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Presently entred fiftie Lacqueyes in white Printed Sattin, guarded with a brancht Stuffe of Azur'd Silke, and Gold, and Breeches of the same, set out with tuffes of gold, and silver lace, with furniture and Plumes of white, that accompanied the *Conde de Villamor*, mounted on a darke Chestnut-colourd Horse, with his mayne, and tayle, drawne out with silver twist, disgracing those Horses of *Phœbus* Chariot, which seem'd to come out of them, as the fome or sweat of their bodies, ejecting that which was not naturall in them, retayning naturally the valour of their Master, communicated to them, and when I saw so many Feathers in the place, and such a flittering and waving of them, I tooke them to be a moovible garden, or an Armie of Indians; as also the *Conde* his generous Grandfather, who also manifested amongst them, the valour, and lustre, incident to his race and blood: And because the report is festivall, it is but like to that which was to be seene with the eye. You would haue said as much, if you had but seene them fight with those furious

Beasts, shewing themselues the more valiant, in that they were vndaunted, and resolved Spanyards. There entred presently Don *Cristoual de Gauiria*, and Don *Gasper Bonifaz*, whom they tearme kill Bulls, I know not which of them may envie the other, seeing they are the best Combatants knowne in all Spaine for this place, and fight; and both of them so well beloued, that their attempts being high and great, yet they are alwayes wished to be greater, and we thinke them worthy of greater, and higher Fortunes. *Bonifaz* clad six Lacqueyes in excellent cloth in grane, exceeding that of Tyre, garded, with other furniture, and white Feathers, what they were, might be seene all the place over: and *Gauiria* had eyght, and two little Lacqueyes in darke greene Sutes, cutt, embroydered with Snailes of silver, and lyned with Tawney, and white furniture otherwise, it being a sightly and braue Livery.

There entred Don *Ferrando de Yuiciedo*, otherwise, the Cavallier *de la Morzilla*, who during these Tryalls, was that same Master

ſter Burquillos of the Combates, of *Lope de Vega*, who came in to try his Fortunes, with Lawnce and Target.

Though the Marſhalling of the place belong'd to the *Conde de Oliuares*, as to the grand Maſter of the Horſe; His Maieſtie yeelding precedencie to the Prince, the Admirall of England Marſhal'd it, ſtanding behind the Lord Infant *Carlos*, that he might be neare to the *Conde de Oliuares*, who was to him both an Interpretor, and Informer, for this great Lord, and circumſpect Courtier, hath omitted no rightes of complement, wherein he might expreſſe, either vnto the Prince, or Admirall, the loue, proceeding from his owne Noble diſpoſition and nature, and conformable to the honour, done him by the King of great Brittaine, in his Letters full of wiſedome and gravitie.

The Combat beganne with the Bulls, when the Lacqueyes by Proclamation leauing their Lords, they reſembled Harveſt in Iune, crowned with blew and redd flowers, which *Zephirus* waues, and flitters vp and downe. The firſt encounter

belong'd to the *Conde de Vil'amor*, as the envie of all the reſt, which they revenged with ſuch a number of Darts, as the poore Bulles remayn'd like Quivers, or like the Thorne-buſhes, in the woods of *Helvetia*. To ſpeake more properly, ſeeing to the poore Beaſts wonderfull paine, they tooke them out with as great velocitie, as perill and danger. *De Maqueda* made many braue a tempts: *de Teudilla*, as many, but *de Cea* made excellent aſſaults, and *Cantillana* too, one of which might be the proper envie, of chivalrous attempts, and in the other he killed a Bull. *Boniſaz*, and *Caſtiria* layd on ſo thicke vpon the Bull, that we could not number the aſſaults for their quantitie; and Don *Chriſtovall* with a Lawnce, overthrew one. *De Velada* ſhewed how agile, and nymble he was in this Art, for he overthrew two or three Bulls, with dynt of Sword, and gore of Lawnce, and one he wounded on his foretopp, betweene the hornes, while he turned his head, he ſtroke his horne into a ſupporting bord at his backe, a wound that ſtrooke more feare into the Aſſembly, then it brought

brought danger to the Marqueſſe, for this backe bord, was ſplinted all to ſhivers in the place: And his Maieſtie would not ſuffer him to enter the ſecond time within the Liſts: And Don *Antonio de Moſcoſo*, gaue ſuch a number, and ſo deepe Cachilladaes, that he might be rather ſayd to revenge, then provoke or incite with his aſſaults, *Cea* turnd one round with a Cuchillada, and ſo moſt of the Beaſts were ſlaine, being hewen into mammockes by the hands of all men. *Motezuma* ſhewed, what belongd to his royall blood, and to the valour of his arme, for he put a Bull to flight, being afrayd of him, and reacht him ſuch a cleauing blow with his ſword, that he left him in the place for dead. *Guino*, *Zarate*, *Ozeta*, and *Idchel*, tooke revenge of the laſt Bulls liuing, becauſe the firſt had made them turne face. Don *Gieronimo de Medinilla* had good Fortune, both with his Lawnce, and Sword. This Cavallier being herein ſo meritorious, as the moſt copious Elegies would come ſhort of his due commendation, and praiſe. The Duke of *Maqueda*, made ſuch a thruſt, that the

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Beaſt being batterd, and ſore goared with it, he reveng'd himſelfe in ſuch a ſtrange faſhion vpon his Horſe, that he ranne him quite through, from one ſide to the other, and the Duke beheld the Aſſault given on the one ſide of his Horſe, and the horne of the Bull, as it came out at the other, and the poore brute Beaſt gaue ſo many twitches and wrenches, enforced with paine, and griefe, that the Duke was fayne to vſe all valour, and dexteritie to prevent his owne falling, whereat we were all much afraid. Don *Antonio Guino*, ſecond to the Duke of *Cea*, made one of the braveſt Aſſaults, that ever the place beheld, vpon a moſt violent and furious Bull, whoſe liuely force, and that of his valiant arme, ranne him in quite through the ſhoulders, leauing halfe his Lawnce within him, and his Horſe remaining with as much ſtilnes and lenitie, as his Maſter with valour and magnanimitie: and ſo the Bull fell downe hard by him. He received wonderfull applauſe, and generall grace, and ſo went out of the place, and though the Bulls overthrew many, yet there fell out no great

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danger at all. When this Feſtivitie was ended, the Prince, the King, and their Highneſſes, returned to the Court in Carroches; and it rayn'd very ſtrangely. After that went the Queene, the Infanta, and the Coaches of Ladies, where amongſt the Clouds of water, there fell one of the Pages of Armes, theſe Clouds by day light innudating the dominion and acceſſe of the ſhaddows of the night, and baniſhing them for a great while. Thus a great part of the night being ſpent, they went to repoſe themſelues, after the repaſt and pleaſure of this Feſtivitie, and ſo my Penne ſhall doe no leſſe, till further and fitter occaſion be offered.

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